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SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR IAEA MEMBERSHIP

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1. AS NOTED SEPTTEL (NOTAL), 18TH SESSION IAEA GENERAL CONFERENCE IS EXPECTED TO APPROVE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FOR DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF (NORTH) KOREA BY CONSENSUS. IF GC PROCEEDS ON PRESENTLY-PROJECTED SCHEDULE, ACTION SHOULD COME AT OPENING SESSION OF GC PLENARY ON AFTERNOON (VIENNA TIME) OF MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1974.

2. ROK MISSION IN VIENNA HAS REPEATED TO US INFORMAL INDICATION THAT ROK WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY BE APPROACHING USG AND OTHER FRIENDLY STATES TO SOLICIT BRIEF STATEMENTS TO BE MADE AT TIME GC CONSIDERS NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION. PURPOSE OF SUCH STATEMENTS WOULD BE TO BALANCE EXPECTED FLOOD OF WELCOMES FROM SOCIALIST COUNTRIES WITH SOME STATEMENTS ALONG LINES MADE BY US AT JUNE BOARD SESSION, IN WHICH WE STATED WE DID NOT OPPOSE BOARD

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CONSENSUS RECOMMENDING GC APPROVAL OF NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION,

HOPED THAT THIS DEVELOPMENT WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO PEACEFUL AND STABLE RELATIONS BETWEEN ROK AND NORTH KOREA AND THE ADMISSION OF BOTH TO UN. ROK MISSION APPEARED TO FEEL THAT APPROACHES TO SOLICIT SUCH STATEMENTS MIGHT BE MADE IN CAPITALS OR IN SEOUL RATHER THAN THROUGH THEIR VIENNA MISSION. AS NOTED SEPTEL, MISSION HAS REQUESTED THAT USDEL TO GC BE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE STATEMENT ALONG THESE LINES IF REQUESTED TO DO SO BY ROK AND IF US WOULD BE JOINED BY NUMBER OF OTHER FRIENDLY COUNTRIES, INCLUDING JAPAN.

3. MISSION STILL UNDERSTANDS THAT NORTH KOREA WILL WISH DEPOSIT INSTRUMENT OF ACCEPTANCE OF IAEA STATUTE WITH USG, AS DEPOSITARY FOR STATUTE, IMMEDIATELY UPON APPROVAL OF ITS APPLICATION BY GC. MISSION HAS DISCUSSED THIS REQUEST WITH IAEA EXTERNAL RELATIONS DIVISION PER PARA 2 REFTTEL, AND AGENCY HAS COMMUNICATED TO NORTH KOREAN TRADE MISSION IN VIENNA, BY AIDE MEMOIRE OF JULY 18, 1974 HANDED TO TRADE MISSION STAFF MEMBER BY AGENCY PROTOCOL OFFICE, REGARDING DESIRABILITY OF NORTH KOREA MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEPOSIT THROUGH EMBASSY OF A THIRD COUNTRY ACCREDITED IN WASHINGTON. AS YET, AGENCY HAS HAD NO RESPONSE FROM NORTH KOREANS; MISSION WILL REPORT FURTHER WHEN RESPONSE RECEIVED.

4. ASSUMING ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE FOR NORTH KOREAN DEPOSIT IMMEDIATELY AFTER FAVORABLE GC ACTION, REQUEST THAT DEPARTMENT ADVISE MISSION BY IMMEDIATE NIACT CABLE TO INFORM DG THAT FORMALITIES COMPLETE, THUS ENABLING NORTH KOREA TO TAKE SEAT AS FULL MEMBER AT NEXT GC PLENARY SESSION. PORTER

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